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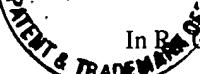
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In Re: U.S. Patent Application Of:

Kok-Hwee Ng et al.

Application No. 09/865,196

Group Art Unit: 2121

Filed: May 24, 2001

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For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
TRACKING THE STATE OF A BLOOD
COLLECTION FACILITY

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Second Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified Application. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

No additional fee for this Preliminary Amendment is required.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees relating to this Preliminary Amendment to Deposit Account No. 23-0280. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Preliminary Amendment, in a form required under amended rule 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Accordingly, one (1) sheet containing the marked-up specification is attached hereto as Appendix A.

AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

✓ Please delete the title, and insert therefor:

-- A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING INVENTORY OF BLOOD COMPONENT
COLLECTION SOFT GOODS IN A BLOOD COMPONENT COLLECTION FACILITY--

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Please delete paragraph 2 at page 1, lines 5-7, and insert therefor:

-- Related Application

This claims the benefit of Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/287,122, filed April 28, 2001.--